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Welcome to the new District 93 newsletter! It is our office's hope that this new monthly newsletter will be a great resource for you. You will find interviews with community leaders, information on upcoming community events, and other news from the world of politics, entertainment, and the cities of District 93. As you can tell from this "new" newsletter - we are focusing a lot on new beginnings. Our interview this month is with Arlington's fairly new mayor, Jeff Williams. He is innovative, a consensus builder, and a man of high character. Arlington is blessed by his leadership. We also highlight the new season at Six Flags and the beginning of a new season for our AL West defending champs - the Texas Rangers. We want this newsletter to be important to you. So, if you have any ideas for the newsletter, please feel free to send them to: District93.Krause@house.texas.gov. We would love to hear your feedback and ideas. Thank you again for the honor of representing you in the Texas House! God bless!

Your voice in the Texas State House of Representatives

Chambers of Commerce Upcoming Events

Arlington: April 9
2016 AISD Entrepreneurship Day

Arlington: April 15
Chamber Orientation Luncheon

Fort Worth: April 7
Spring Fling Treasure Hunt

Fort Worth: April 15
"Table of 10" Mentoring Lunch

Keller: April 15-16
Keller Fest

Keller: April 23
KISD Education Foundation

Inspiration Gala
Northeast Tarrant: May 5
Toe-Tal Foot & Ankle Ribbon Cutting

Northwest Metroport: April 14
Golf Classic

Northwest Metroport: April 20
Business Builder Networking Coffee

Saginaw: April 7
SACC Ribbon Cutting and Opening
Event

Saginaw: April 13
SACC Annual Golf Tournament



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Spotlight Interview

Arlington Mayor Jeff Williams shared past memories, present projects, and future aspirations for the City of Arlington during an in-office interview last month. Growing up in Sherman, TX, Williams said he had an early connection to the City of Arlington. Williams said he frequently visited his aunt and uncle who lived in Arlington, and he found joy in exploring the city. “When I was a child we would go to Six Flags, Rangers games, and shop in the Six Flags Mall,” he said. Williams said the memories he made in Arlington were so profound that he decided he would one day establish his roots in the city. “I filed those memories away and thought it would be a great place to raise a family,” he said. After graduating from his family’s alma mater, Texas Tech University, he established a career in the design engineering industry. As Mayor, Williams is very excited about the growth and progress Arlington is experiencing. Williams shared two projects currently in motion: Texas Live and a General Motors plant expansion. Texas Live, a prospective housing and entertainment structure connected by Globe Life Park (Rangers Stadium Baseball) and AT&T Stadium (Dallas Cowboys Football) aims to increase tourism and generate revenue for citizens of the community.



Trivia

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What does your state representative do?

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Your elected State Representative serves constituents in a specific House District for a two-year term. The Texas House is comprised of 150 representatives. In addition to providing help with state agency issues, your representative proposes, authors and votes on legislation. He may also serve on various legislative committees. Representative Krause is your first line connection with the state.



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“This project aims to develop components of the city around the Ballpark and the Stadium,” he said. “This is a game-changer because it will provide 1800 jobs due to this project.” Mayor Williams also highlighted a GM plant expansion in Arlington. The GM plant expansion is a result of a \$1.4 billion commitment by General Motors to grow its existing Arlington plant and create 500 manufacturing jobs in the city. Williams explained how the expansion project could lead to exponential job growth. “For each manufacturing job, 9 more are created with it totaling 4,500 new jobs in the community,” he said. Williams said making progress in the city motivates him every day. “It’s so rewarding to be able to advance and improve our community together,” he said. As mayor, Williams shared his definition of leadership and how he implements it into his daily life. “To be a leader you need to value people,” he said. “A leader is able to communicate, listen and provide corporate solutions to problems with others.” Williams said he makes a daily commitment to his core values and hopes to set a positive example for others. “I work every day to be an honest man of my faith, have character and to use integrity that sets an example for others.”

Ernest Dominick, HD 93 Newsletter Reporter

New Revolution Virtual Reality Coaster at Six Flags

On one of North America’s first dedicated Virtual Reality Roller Coasters, you’ll experience thrills like never before. In partnership with Samsung Gear VR and Oculus, Shock Wave will be equipped with wireless headsets that, while wearing, allow you to enter a virtual world with high-resolution imagery and 360-degree views that synchronize to the action of the coaster. Online Discount tickets start at \$54.99. Season passes start at \$72.99.



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Your Texas Rangers

Congratulations on a great start to the season!



Picture Courtesy of Andre Dieb AP

With the addition of a new bench coach and 17 new players, 2016 is a year of growth for the Texas Rangers. For a roster of the new players, [click here](#). For more information on new Rangers Bench coach Tim Bogar, [click here](#). In addition to new players and staff, a new left field video board and field lighting system will be installed to enhance the in-game experience at Globe Life Park. Hall of Fame Weekend is July 22-25. Awards will be given on July 23 4:30 p.m. ET at the Doubleday Field. The induction ceremony will be held on July 24 1:30 p.m. ET at the Clark Sports Center.

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National Child Abuse Awareness Month

Wear Blue Day is Friday April 8th! Show your support of child abuse prevention.

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Alliance For Children's mission is to protect the children of Tarrant County from child abuse through teamed investigations, healing services, and community education.

Steps for prevention:

1. Listen to your child.
2. Know those that have contact with your child.
3. Avoid one adult/one child situations.
4. Monitor your child's Internet and cell phone use.
5. Ask for help.
6. Educate your child.



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Long-awaited I-30/SH 360

Interchange Project Kicking-off

By Jason Crawford

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and local leaders broke ground in March to start the long-awaited improvements to the Interstate 30/State Highway 360 interchange. This project will update the 1950's infrastructure of the old Dallas-Fort Worth Turnpike (now known as I-30) and its connectivity to formerly Watson Road (now SH 360).

The \$233 million project will construct new directional ramps connecting I-30 and SH 360, eliminating traffic moving through surface streets and traffic signals for access. In addition to building the new direct connect interchange, the I-30 and SH 360 main lanes will be rebuilt, and the Six Flags Drive bridge over I-30 will be rebuilt from two lanes to five lanes, extending Six Flags Drive north to Avenue H.

Construction of the interchange is scheduled through 2020.

TxDOT's Mobility Coordinator Jason Crawford will be sharing project information, updates and lane closure information.



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